

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2902

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Ms. Holly Martin
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Dear Ms. Martin:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your concern about tobacco regulation. I apologize for not getting back to you earlier.

I agree with you that the FDA has clear jurisdictional boundaries and that regulation of tobacco is outside of this jurisdiction. Commissioner Kessler's testimony before Congress last year was a clear indication of his intention to have tobacco classified as a "drug" under his

jurisdiction. I have not been able to hear the news, and I am not going to expand the